

Friends of the STX National Parks group

February 14, 2019

Attendees:

Julie San Martin

Rick Starr

Nina York

Susan Wall

Absent:

Sara Dykstra

Meeting called to order at 4PM by Julie San Martin

Introduction of two new board members:

- Michael Abney
- John Gidley

All attending board members gave a brief description of their backgrounds and acquired skills.

John Gidley volunteered to help Julie with compliance and corporate paperwork.

Michael Abney has already begun work as concierge for Gary Zbel and the Historic Preservation Training Center group working on the Scale House.

Julie handed out 2016 – 2018 financial overview, reported that we have about \$630 available cash and \$3,779 in restricted funds. Friends just received \$2,000 for Tamarind Reef as their 2108 contribution for environmental uses.

Rick has set up a Paypal link for the website; we have dropped the epayment scheme as too expensive.

Susan discussed the 2nd Thursday lectures. She needs help developing lecturers. Lead are not always available on the 2nd Thursday.

Nina has 30 Danish Friends of VI arriving for their annual visit.

Zandy Starr joined. She and the remaining NPS employees set up the room for the lecture, not the best use of their time. Zandy filled us in on the status of the three sites on St Croix. They are understaffed with many proposed projects.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 to greet lecture attendees.

Minutes submitted by Julie San Martin, President